



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

By STECK, SHELOR & SCHRODER.

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SENECA LOCAL MATTERS.

High School Girls to Debate—Boys Will Have Exercises Later.

Seneca, March 5.—Special: Seneca was visited by a light snow Saturday night, followed by sleet and rain on Sunday.

Some time during Sunday night D. J. McKesley had his arm crushed while coupling cars. The arm was amputated just below the elbow, the operation being performed by Dr. E. C. Doyle. He was carried to his home at Duluth, Ga., on train No. 29 Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brockman spent the week-end in Atlanta attending the Bible Conference.

At the meeting of the Aid Society of the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon the annual election of officers was held, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. E. C. Doyle; vice president, Mrs. J. W. Byrd; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Hunter (re-elected). The meeting was held with Miss Margie Holland.

Miss Louise Farmer was the attractive hostess on last Friday evening to a number of her friends. Games were played and a delightful luncheon served. Those present were Misses Mary Julia Reid, Sue Gignilliat, Marguerite Adams and Verna Stribling; Messrs. Pat Adams, Charles Lawrence, Whit Holleman, Carl Moore and Rupert Nimmons.

W. P. Nimmons is confined to his bed with grip.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sifton regret to know of the illness of their young children.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gignilliat and children are recovering from a wholesale visitation of grip.

Little Mary, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Holloway, is improving after an illness of several days.

Jesse Hawkins entertained a number of his friends last Thursday evening. He was assisted in entertaining the guests by his mother and sisters. An attractive salad course was served.

Thornley Cary was at home to a few of his special friends last Friday evening. The time was spent in conversation and at the close of the evening a tempting menu was served.

Hon. and Mrs. J. W. Shelor and Miss Hattie Shelor were in Seneca a few hours Saturday afternoon, coming over in their car to meet Mr. B. Shelor, who came over from Furman University for the week-end.

Miss Sue Gignilliat will be at home to a few of her friends informally on next Thursday evening.

Our milliners have returned from Atlanta, where they purchased their spring millinery.

Clarence Miller, who has been with the Seneca Pharmacy for a long time, has resigned his position to accept work on the road. He will travel in North Carolina.

The friends and patrons of the school are anticipating with great pleasure the public meeting of the Palmetto Literary Society, which will be held next Friday evening. The question, "Resolved, That South Carolina should have woman suffrage," will be debated by six young women of the High School, three of whom will be selected to debate for the Doyle medal at commencement. Later the boys' preliminary debate will be held, when three will be selected also to enter the contest at the close of school.

Richland News in Brief.

Richland, March 4.—Special: Rain, snow and sleet fell here yesterday. Stiles and Bruce Stribling spent from Saturday until Monday at the home of Sloan Bruce, near Avalon, Ga.

Dan Lucius, of Knoxville, Ala., is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. N. Foster. Misses Beth Coe and Mayme Cromer visited in Walhalla last week.

Lumber is being sawed to build a bridge across Fulton Creek, near Richland. This will be a great convenience when finished.

The track team boys began practicing regularly last Monday. They expect to do some good work this spring.

FOR TEACHERS AND TRUSTEES.

Matters of Importance to the Public Schools of the County.

As the terms of many of the schools of the county are nearing a close, I wish to call the attention of teachers and trustees to the urgent necessity of making out the annual report in the minutest detail, just as the law requires. If this report is not furnished, and the last pay warrant is held up, as the law allows, do not blame any one but the person who fails to make the report. It is absolutely necessary for me to have this in order to give your district all the funds it is entitled to from the three mill tax.

I have received several inquiries as to the enrollment of pupils, and I wish to make a public reply, so that all concerned may get the benefit. The apportionment of the three mill tax is based upon the enrollment, and not the average attendance, so it is necessary that all be governed by the same standard.

If a child is present only one day in any one month, he must be counted in the enrollment for that month. Some seem to have the idea that he must be present ten days in each month, but this is wrong; he need be present only a sufficient number of days in each month to make ten days for the entire term. In the final report no child can be counted enrolled who has not been present during the entire term as many as ten days.

The next thing is, what constitutes a day's attendance? In the rural schools, where the hours are from 8 o'clock in the morning till 4 o'clock in the afternoon, if a child is present at roll call and for any reason, whether by parents' permission, or what not, has to leave school before 12 o'clock, he must be counted absent. If he is present all the forenoon and part of the afternoon he must be counted present for the full day. In the town schools, where the hours are from 9 until 2, the same principle holds true. A child must be present as much as half the time he is kept at school, or he must be counted absent for that day. If he is present over half the time, then he must be counted present for the entire school day, whatever that may be.

Upon looking over school reports I find some pupils enrolled in two schools in the same scholastic year and counted in the enrollment of both. The last teacher who enrolls the child violates the law and lays himself liable to prosecution in the criminal courts.

I wish to request teachers and trustees to note the above carefully and be governed accordingly.

W. C. Hughes,
County Superintendent of Education.

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RURAL POLICE FOR OCONEE.

There Will Be Three—Have Power to Enforce All State Laws.

Representatives F. M. Cary, John B. Harris and Senator J. R. Earle were in conference here Monday with reference to the putting into force of the Act recently passed, which provides for three rural policemen for Oconee county. Upon the appointment and commissioning of these officials the office of liquor constable (now held by A. T. Reid, of Walhalla,) will be abolished, and then the rural policemen will enter upon the discharge of their duties.

The three recommended by the delegation for appointment are: J. H. Mason, Oakway; Henry C. Harbin, Seneca; B. F. Douthitt, Walhalla.

These rural policemen will have power not only to make arrests for violation of the State liquor laws, but are clothed with power to make arrests for violation of any and every State law. In fact, they bear the same relation to the citizens of the county at large as do the policemen of towns and cities to the citizens of these more limited areas.

The bill that was before the General Assembly originally called for two of these officers, but was amended so as to carry provision for three, and it was passed with this provision.

Both Representatives and Senator look for good results from the carrying out of the provisions of this new law, and they feel that they have chosen good men for the places. Mr. Harbin was dispensary constable for Oconee at one time, and made a splendid officer; Mr. Mason has for years served as a Magistrate's constable, and B. F. Douthitt was at one time Sheriff of Oconee county.

THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Governing Oconee Corn Contest for the Year 1912.

Any farmer, resident of Oconee county, may enter the contest, including all boys from 12 to 21 years of age, in or out of the Boys' Corn Club contest, by paying an entrance fee of one dollar per acre. The acre may be laid off in any form desired in a single lot, either in bottom or up-land. The contestants must enter and have their corn laid off before the first day of May, 1912. The acre must in every case be laid off by some competent person and accepted by the committee.

The sub-committee that is appointed for each contestant to supervise the harvesting and weighing of the corn, and the contestant and the committee, will be required to make affidavit as to how much is gathered in the shuck and how much shelled corn, by weight, obtained from one hundred pounds in the shuck of average corn, taken from the heap after all is gathered, and file the same with the chairman of the committee on or before the 10th of November, 1912. The committee will award the prizes on the 15th day of November, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

The sub-committee must be composed of persons of integrity and 21 years of age.

The corn must be gathered in dry condition and weighed from the field. The prize funds will be divided as follows:

First prize, 30 per cent.
Second prize, 25 per cent.
Third prize, 20 per cent.
Fourth prize, 15 per cent.
Fifth prize, 10 per cent.

The county committee shall have full power to settle all disputes or controversies, if any shall arise, and to award the prizes.

Contributions are solicited for the contest. All contestants are required to send their names to the chairman of the committee, T. Y. Chalmers, Walhalla, R. F. D. No. 2; also send entrance fees by May 1st, 1912.

There will also be a corn club contest this year. Any farmer in the county can join this club by paying into the treasury \$5 by May 15th, 1912, and sending his name and address to the county chairman. This contest will be governed by the same rules and regulations that govern the general contest, except that the acre shall be up-land. No funds will be solicited; will only award for prizes the amount paid in by the contestants. The same acre can be entered, if desired, that is entered in the general contest.

Any person not complying with the above rules will be ruled out.

T. Y. Chalmers, Chairman,
A. H. Ellison,
H. L. Verner, Committee.

Home for Minister's Family.

The suggestion of Dr. John O. Willson, of Greenwood, that funds be raised to purchase a home for the family of the late Rev. E. Alston Wilkes, has been received approvingly in Chester, and more than \$700 has been already subscribed in that city. Subscription lists have also been sent to different portions of Chester county, and it is believed that the greater part of the sum necessary can be raised in Chester. The deceased, Rev. E. Alston Wilkes, was a native of Baton Rouge section of Chester county, and had hosts of friends and relatives in that county. Mr. Wilkes was a member of the South Carolina Conference, M. E. Church. He recently died in Columbia, where he had been sent by the last conference. He is survived by a widow and eleven children.

ANOTHER MURDER FOR OCONEE.

Two Negroes Met in Road—One Beaten to Pulp.

Last Saturday afternoon George Singleton and John Simpson, both negroes, met in the public road about twelve miles above Walhalla, and an old quarrel was renewed, as a result of which Singleton is dead and Simpson is lodged in the Oconee jail for trial on the charge of murder.

From what meagre details can be had it seems that there was an old grudge of long standing between the two negroes, and this had recently been intensified, it is alleged, by reason of Singleton's attentions to Simpson's wife. Simpson had only recently completed the service of a short sentence in jail here, having been convicted of violation of internal revenue laws at Greenville.

Just what took place leading up to the killing is not known, but Simpson struck Singleton with a Spanish oak stick about four feet long and about seven inches in circumference at the large end. A number of blows were struck, and it is stated by those who viewed the murdered negro that his head was literally beaten to a pulp.

A post mortem examination of the body was made by Dr. J. J. Thode Sunday morning.

Simpson was lodged in jail about 4 o'clock Sunday morning, having been brought down from the Mountain Rest section by Albert Brown. He was arrested by Mr. Brown and Robert Hunt Saturday night.

It is said that there were no eye-witnesses to the affair.

It is also stated that the Singleton negro was armed with a pistol. Both negroes, it is said, have long been suspected of having considerable dealings with the illegal sale and manufacture of whiskey.

Death of a Little Child.

(Monroe, Ga., Tribune, March 1.)

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dobbs have the deepest sympathy of our people in the death of their eight-months-old adopted daughter, little Theora Watson, which occurred at their home in this city Sunday morning. The bright little baby was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs, and after the death of the former in South Carolina several months ago, little Theora was taken in charge by Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs, who have no children of their own, and who have lavished upon the little adopted child all their wealth of devotion and affection. The little one's death, under the circumstances, is a peculiarly sad one and brings forth the tenderest sympathy from all our people. The remains, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs and J. B. Dobbs, were taken to Fair Play, S. C., Monday, via Westminster, and interred at that place Tuesday morning. Rev. Marett, of the First Baptist church, of Westminster, conducting the last sad rites. W. L. and J. B. Dobbs returned to the city Wednesday night, but Mrs. W. L. Dobbs will remain with her mother, Mrs. Barton, for several days.

We join with hosts of other friends of the bereaved father, and of Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs, in extending our sincere sympathy in their sorrow. Following the deep bereavement through the recent death of the little one's mother, this dispensation of Providence is indeed a sore affliction.—Ed. Courier.

Locals from Townville Section.

Townville, March 4.—Special: The Masons gave a dinner on Friday, March 1st, at the home of Dorla Dalrymple. The bill of fare was: Roast turkey, boiled ham, salads, pie, cake, fruits and coffee. All present had a delightful time. Mr. and Mrs. Dalrymple proved ideal host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Boggs have returned home after a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Morris, at Port Green, Fla.

Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Sharp and daughter, Miss Susie, of Pendleton, were present at the Masonic dinner. P. S. Mahaffey was in Baltimore recently replenishing his stock of goods.

Manley Smith has accepted a position in New York.

Miss Susie Sharp, of Pendleton, is spending a while with her sister, Mrs. Burda Ligon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Whitfield have a new daughter.

Miss Sara Dickson, of Anderson, is visiting Mrs. Mary Dickson.

Dr. J. R. Heller has gone to Winston-Salem, N. C., to visit his sister, who is dangerously ill.

Mrs. J. D. Gill, of Anderson, is spending a while with her father, J. D. Compton.

J. P. Ledbetter is confined to his room with la grippe.

Miss Mary Dickson, of Anderson, is visiting homefolks here.

Jeff. Boggs, of Central, spent a while here with J. C. Boggs, recently.

Baptist Minister Suicides.

Baltimore, March 4.—Rev. Walter R. Rhodes, pastor of the Onancock (Va.) Baptist church, a pulpit orator and lecturer of note, committed suicide by shooting in a hotel here to-day. The cause of the act is attributed to ill health. He was a direct descendant of Zachariah Rhodes, who, with Roger Williams, established the first Baptist church in America.

BATTLE OF ALAMO REFUGHT.

53 Americans Held Off 3,000 Mexican Rebels.

Mexico City, Mexico, March 4.—The battle of the Alamo is being refought to-day at Velardena, Mexico, according to authentic news brought from the mountains by a mounted courier.

Fifty-three heroic Americans, barricaded in the ruins of an old church, are standing off 3,000 rebel troops. A thousand miles from Uncle Sam's army across the border, the little band, face to face with death, has thus far had the 3,000 whipped.

The men had gathered from the surrounding mining country in fear of the anti-foreign uprising, and were barely in time to barricade themselves when the Vasquistas descended upon the town.

There is No Surrender.

"Surrender or die," was the ultimatum hurled at them by the rebels. "Come and get us!" was the grim reply.

The rebels came. But they got bullets, lots of bullets, not the men. Assault after assault was made upon the little band, but all in vain. The sturdy engineers with their Remingtons and Winchesters picked off the assailants with terrible rapidity.

The besieging force has now surrounded the ruins, and is attacking from cover, from behind rocks, from gullies, from house tops and from windows.

May Make Fatal Sally.

The amount of water and food which the Americans have is not known. They may yet be starved into a fatal sally.

No definite statement of the losses on either side is available.

Riot rules in the city of Mexico to-day. Mobs made up of the lower class of the population have marched the streets unresisted, hurling bricks, shooting and stabbing.

"Death to Madero!" is a cry heard from all quarters.

"Abajo los Americanos!" is a cry heard with equal frequency.

The foreigners are remaining closely barricaded in their homes in fear of violence, and Madero himself does not dare to leave the Executive Mansion.

5,000 Men March on City.

El Paso, Texas, March 5.—That \$1,000,000 has been raised in this city by the Vasquista insurrection junta to finance the rebel expedition against Mexico City was learned to-day.

The rebel cause in Northern Mexico has been given tremendous impetus by the fall of the city of Chihuahua into the hands of the rebels and the desertion to the insurgents of Gen. Pasqual Orozco.

Gen. Salazar, leader of the insurrection forces in Juarez, said to-day that an army of 5,000 men will march south against the capital at once. He declared that Madero would not remain in the Presidential chair another six weeks.

Americans Try to Leave.

One hundred and fifty Americans were prepared to-day to make a desperate effort to leave Mexico and return to the United States. The Americans arrived in Pearson from the lumber town of Madera last night. They are anxious to get out of Mexico, where they believe their lives are in danger because of the revolution with its anti-foreign demonstrations.

Local News at Madison.

Madison, March 4.—Special: Measles are still raging in our little town.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cleland will be glad to learn they have moved back here from Greenville, where Mr. Cleland has been engaged in the wood and coal business for some time.

Mrs. Jesse Jones and daughter died near here last week from measles. The sympathy of the people go out to the bereaved ones in their deep sorrow.

Mrs. Carl Bryan, of Greenville, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. R. Cleland, who is sick at this writing.

Miss Mattie Watt is suffering from a relapse of measles.

Misses Evie and Nina Jones spent part of last week with relatives near Retreat.

Ed. Rice made a business trip to Greenville